

A note from Fr. Michal, our pastor . . .

Thank you to the hundreds who braved the heat and joined us for our annual Harvest Mass last weekend. I celebrated the Mass, assisted by Deacon John Kay, in honor of our 20th anniversary of moving to the current school building. A special thank you to all who helped to prepare for the Mass and the dinner following. We gave thanks for the many blessings upon Sacred Heart and prayed for the farmers and their fall harvests.

The annual report to the parish will be mailed the week of October 9 to the Sacred Heart Parish members. During each Mass on the weekend of October 14 & 15, I will provide a recap of the report and highlight the successes of the 2016 fiscal year while speaking of the concerns we must address in the future.

I would like to invite you to the special events to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Fatima on Friday, Oct. 13, and the Rosary Rally on Saturday, Oct. 14. A special thank you to the Effingham Knights of Columbus for sponsoring these events.



Please join Msgr. Hoefler, Fr. Chris, and Fr. Michal at a Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima on Friday, Oct. 13, 2017, at 6:30pm, at Sacred Heart Church, Effingham. It is the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Fatima. There will be an outdoor candlelight rosary procession following Mass. There will be a complimentary catered reception, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center, provided by the Effingham Knights of Columbus, immediately following the rosary. To join us for the reception, please RSVP to Sacred Heart Parish at 217.347.7177 by Wednesday, Oct. 4.

Also, join us for the Public Square Rosary Rally on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, at 12:00pm noon, at the corner of Fayette and Henrietta at Sacred Heart Church. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by America Needs Fatima, will be one of over 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to pray for the conversion of the United States. Bring your lawn chair and a rosary. If weather is inclement, the rally will be held in church. Lunch provided by the Effingham Knights of Columbus at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. All are welcome and encouraged to join us!

Sacred Heart Parish will celebrate 125 Years of Faith & Family beginning Sunday, October 29, at the 10:30am Mass, where Bishop Paprocki will be the celebrant. We have anniversary events planned all throughout the year, with a closing Harvest Mass scheduled for Saturday, September 22, 2018.

We have 125th anniversary calendar magnets available in the back of church. We're excited to give you these magnets, which detail the various events planned for our year-long celebration. Please put it on your refrigerator and save the dates to help us celebrate. Watch the church bulletin for additional information (time/location) on the events. If you'd like to help plan and implement one of the scheduled events, please contact the church office at 347.7177. We'd love to have your assistance!



Sacred Heart Parish will have a float in the Effingham Sunrise Rotary's annual Halloween Parade. The parade begins at 2:00pm on Sunday, October 29 (the same day as our 125th anniversary kick off!) and will follow Maple Street to Jefferson Avenue through downtown Effingham. We would love for our students and families to join us in walking in the parade and/or riding the float. Please stay tuned for more information about decorating the parade float and participating in the parade.

Mark your calendar now for these events and invite your family to come and reminisce!

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, Oct. 2

7:15am: Bernard Deters

Tuesday, Oct. 3

7:15am: Bob Hoffman

Wednesday, Oct. 4

8:30am: Art Bushur

Thursday, Oct. 5

7:15am: Walt & Bert Ritchie

Friday, Oct. 6

7:15am: Ron & Kelly Brown

Saturday, Oct. 7

4:00pm (Fr. Michal Rosa): Virginia Kreke

Sunday, Oct. 8

8:30am (Fr. Michal Rosa): Letha Huff & family

10:30am (Fr. Michal Rosa): Wilbert Kinkelaar

5:30pm (Fr. Michal Rosa): For Our Parishioners

7:00pm Spanish Mass (Fr. Paul Habing): For our priests

Sacred Heart Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:15am
Wednesday: 8:30am

St. Anthony Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:15am, and 11:00am

St. Anthony Weekday Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 6:30am & 8:30am
On the first Saturday of the month: 6:30am

St. Mary's, Shumway Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5:30pm; Sunday: 8:30am

Readings for the Week:

Monday, Oct. 2: Zec 8:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday, Oct. 3: Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday, Oct. 4: Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday, Oct. 5: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12;
Lk 10:1-12
Friday, Oct. 6: Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday, Oct. 7: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29;
Lk 10:17-24
Sunday, Oct. 8: Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9;
Mt 21:33-43

Sacred Heart CCW Fall Rummage Sale will be Friday, Oct. 6, from 8:00am to 5:00pm; Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8:00am to 3:00pm; and Monday, Oct. 9, 8:00am to noon (\$3.00 bag day), at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Drop off items at the maintenance building behind school.



The next CCW meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 6:30pm, in the parish center. The guest speaker will Dr. Ruben Boyajian, so mark your calendar now.

St. Anthony CCW would like to invite the ladies of Sacred Heart to a soup supper on Monday, Oct. 16, at 6:00pm, at St. Anthony Parish Center. There will be several kinds of soups and homemade breads as well as an inspirational speaker.

Catholicism 101, a "Catholic Boot Camp", will be held at St. Anthony Parish Center, on Oct. 3, at 7:00pm. The topic will be *Prayer (Part One)* and presented by Kate Weber. *What is prayer?* There are five traditional forms of prayer. The problem areas are distractions, unanswered prayer, spiritual dryness, prayer in painful times. They will discuss the ten prayers every Catholic should know. No cost, but register at the St. Anthony Parish office or call 347.7129. Everyone welcome.

Parish Calendar Events

Monday, Oct. 2

7:00pm: Technology Meeting @ Sacred Heart Lower Level

Tuesday, Oct. 3

8:30am: Resurrection Choir @ Sacred Heart Church
6:30pm: CCW Meeting @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Wednesday, Oct. 4

8:00am-5:00pm: Pro-Life Day of Prayer & Adoration @ Sacred Heart Church
6:00pm: Parish Choir Practice & Treat Night @ Sacred Heart Church & Lower Level
6:30pm: PSR Class @ St. Anthony High School

Thursday, Oct. 5

11:00am: RCIA Class @ St. Anthony Parish Center
6:00pm: Liturgy Committee @ Sacred Heart Lower Level
7:00pm: RCIA Class @ St. Anthony High School, Room 109
7:00pm: Restoration Committee @ Sacred Heart Lower Level

Friday, Oct. 6

8:00am-5:00pm: Sacred Heart CCW Rummage Sale @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Saturday, Oct. 7

8:00am-3:00pm: Sacred Heart CCW Rummage Sale @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

Sunday, Oct. 8

10:30am: Sunday School @ Sacred Heart Lower Level

Effingham Area Youth group (*open to students in 9th-12th grade*) meets Sunday nights from 6:30-7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church. For more information, contact Katalyn Miller at kmiller@stanthony.com or you can follow us on Instagram at "effinghamcatholicyg".

~ Prayer List ~

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, in the hospital, nursing homes, recovering from surgery and those who are in need: Amanda McKinney, Kimberly Poe, Barb Sims, Frank Kemo, Jason McFarland, Bryce Beccue, Lillian Nolan, Catherine Began, Lydia Hemrich, Rosie Myers, Caroline Hoene, Barbara Jansen, Brandon Wurl, Mary Ellen Eversman, Debbie Myers, Emily McCabe, Harold Poe, Gertrude Alldredge, Eric Hartke, Katie Kroeger, Cathy Swingler, Nikki (Dust) Szymonik, Mike Ritchie, Jack Richardson, Travis Miller, Tom Pruemer, Greg Schaefer, Mary Edwards, Craig Lindvahl, Cathy Hayes, Fred Amacher, Kevin Ordner, Elizabeth Weidner, Wm. "Bill" Dasenbrock, Dorothy Levitt, Jill Quandt, Gloria Ellis, Sandy McDevitt, Esther & Lou Feldhake, Brian Wirth, Ron Caron, Cheryl Woodard, Carolyn Westendorf, Steve Schniederjan, Shawn Bourland, Rex Easton, Bill Myers, Eva Applegate, Sam Stitz, Philip Wendt, Penny Myers, Alice Watson, Julie Hoffman, Rosanna Schallert, David Geltz, Lisa Crosson, Donna Rentfrow, Rita Tucker, Marcia Rexroat, Elliot Minor, Angie Borrelli, Harper Rose Ellis, Sr. Jeanette Willenborg, Kristen Angel, Don Musser, Judy French, Madonna Bushur, Nate Hille, Fr. Dan Bergbower, Carol Perkins, Fidelity Mette, Scott Schaefer, Becky Ordner, Cindy Mietzner, Ashley Halverson Walker



Sacred Heart Parish is currently in the planning stages of a major capital campaign to raise the funds needed to restore our church sanctuary and construct a gathering space at our north entrance.

We have selected Stauder Architecture as our architect for the project and have received preliminary plans and estimates.

As a preliminary step to this campaign, we soon will be conducting a Fundraising Feasibility & Planning Study to assess our financial potential and to seek parish members' suggestions and feedback in all aspects of our plans. In addition, will be inviting parishioners to participate in this important study in following ways:

Saturday, Oct. 21st - Church-Wide Informational Meeting from 5:00-6:00pm

Immediately after the 4:00pm Mass, we will host a special meeting in the Sanctuary to which all parishioners are cordially invited and encouraged to attend. We will share and discuss in detail our needs and plans, including a virtual presentation by the architect. We will then open the meeting up to member feedback and questions.

Wednesday, Oct. 25 to Friday, Oct. 27 - Personal, Confidential Interviews

We'll be conducting a series of personal interviews with a select group of parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart to get their more intimate feedback on our proposed project and campaign plans.

Sunday, Oct. 29 to Sunday, Nov. 5 – Confidential Online Survey

We'll invite and encourage everyone's participation through a special online survey that will allow parishioners to read about our plans and provide their input and feedback.

The feedback and responses will be received, compiled, and analyzed by Walsh & Associates, Church Fundraising Specialists, the firm we have hired to coordinate and conduct this special study for us. Based on their experience and parishioner response, they will then prepare a report summarizing the results of the study, along with their suggestions on how to proceed. We will receive this report near the end of October, and will then share it with all of you.

Pro-Life Information . . .

Life Chain 2017 will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1. It will begin with a prayer service at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, Effingham, at 1:30pm. The actual life chain will form on Keller Drive and Fayette Ave. from 2:00pm-3:00pm. Signs will be furnished. Refreshments will be served immediately following. Donations of cookies would be greatly appreciated. We ask you to come and join other pro-life Christians to prayerfully and peacefully witness against the killing of preborn children.



The rosary will be recited before all weekend Masses during the month of October. Please take this opportunity to be arrive early for Mass and pray the rosary with the parish.

Sacred Heart Church will be open on Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 8:00am to 5:00pm, to pray and for Eucharistic Adoration. We are also asked to help for an hour or two at the Silk Purse in Effingham, on Tuesday, Oct. 17, from 1:00pm-5:00pm. Sign up sheets are in the back of church.

The next Pro-Life Group meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, at the Effingham Event Center. Many people consider Planned Parenthood a good organization that provides healthcare services to people in the communities where they are located. Do they help women? What services DO they provide? Come learn about Planned Parenthood at our next Pro-Life Group meeting. Everyone welcome.

Bishop Thomas Paprocki will lead the Prayer in the Public Square Rosary Rally to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. The Rosary Rally will be held on Saturday, October 14, from 12:00pm to 1:00pm, at the Illinois State Capitol Building in front of the Lincoln statue, Capitol and 2nd streets. If it rains, the event will be held inside the Capitol Rotunda. If you would like to lead one of the prayers, contact Donna B. 217.622.8576.

St. Thomas Parish, Newton, invites you to a Rosary Rally on Saturday, Oct. 14, at noon, on the north side of St. Thomas Church. Please join us in prayer.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Respect Life Rosary on Thursday, Oct. 26, at 6:00pm, at St. Anthony Church. Chicken and noodle supper will be provided after the rosary in the St. Anthony Parish Center.

School News . . .

Fr. Michal is speaking to the students on virtues. This month, the topic is respect which coincides with October as Respect Life month. Ask your student how respect is shown to others in their daily lives.

Phone books are being collected at this time to be recycled. Please drop the phone books off at the school or parish office. SHS can earn up to \$1,000 for the school, if we collect the most phone books.

Sacred Heart School PTA and Booster Club is seeking 2017/18 Sponsorships for their upcoming events. *This school year's anchor PTA & Booster Club fundraising events include:*

- ♦ Soup Supper & Children's Carnival – Oct. 29, 2017
- ♦ Glo BINGO – Nov. 18, 2017
- ♦ Annual PTA Breakfast – April 8, 2018

On behalf of the Sacred Heart School students who benefit from the funds generated at these PTA & Booster Club events, we would be grateful if you helped us in sponsoring this year's events with a donation of \$125. Your donation will be used to support Sacred Heart Schools' programs, including items for raffle baskets and auction items for all four events. Each sponsor of the Soup Supper/Carnival, Glo BINGO, and Spring Breakfast will in return receive their business name and/or logo highlighted in numerous ways, including the Sacred Heart Parish bulletin and School newsletter, a banner at each of the events, a placemat on the dining tables, fliers, and more. The money raised by the PTA and Booster Club is invested in the students' education and extracurricular programs by providing funds for: art program, classroom needs, Accelerated Reader and TeacherEase software, technology needs, school assemblies, yearbook, and much more!

If you or your business is interested in being a sponsor, please contact Michele Jenson at 217.342.7458 or Christy Hakman at 217.347.7177. Thank you for your support!

School Calendar

Tuesday, Oct. 3

Yearbook Pictures

4:00pm: Cross Country @ Okaw Valley

6:00pm: Girls Basketball vs.

Beecher City/Cowden-Herrick @ home

Wednesday, Oct. 4

Yearbook Pictures

6:30pm: PTA meeting @ School Library

Thursday, Oct. 5

6:00pm: Girls Basketball @ Vandalia

Friday, Oct. 6

No School

Saturday, Oct. 7

Girls Basketball 7th Grade Tourn. @ Stew-Stras



Drive 4UR School Fundraiser, sponsored by Northside Ford in Effingham and Ford Motor Company, will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8:00am-1:00pm, on the Sacred Heart School parking lot.

Help us earn up to \$6,000! SHS receives \$20 for every test drive during the event.

We invite you to stop by and test drive a NEW 2017 or 2018 Ford car, truck, or SUV, and EARN FREE MONEY for Sacred Heart School. Participants must be 18+ and have a valid driver's license. When you come for a test drive, tell us which SHS student sent you, and they'll get a "point." The classroom with the most points will receive a pizza party! Limit one test-drive per household. *THANK YOU for your support, and thank you to Mark Mayhood and Jake Traub of Northside Ford for this incredible opportunity to raise funds for SHS!*

Scrip cards will be sold after Masses next weekend.

Cards are just like cash when used at retail stores and restaurants. The school receives a percentage for each card sold, so it is a win-win for everyone.

Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ We have decided to try a new format this year for parent/teacher conferences.

Most parents need their conference in the evening, but we are not able to meet everyone's request; therefore, we will hold conferences on Wednesday, Oct. 18, from 3:30pm to 6:00pm and Thursday, Oct. 19, from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. There will not be any conferences on Friday, Oct. 20. As in the past, if neither date works for you, please write a note on the form that you need to schedule a different date. The teacher will contact you to set up a time. Any questions, please contact the school at 342.4060.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, the 5th grade students from Sacred Heart and St. Anthony Grade Schools, attended a religious vocations field trip sponsored by the Effingham K of C.

The young men visited the Cathedral Basilica followed by a trip to Kennrick-Glennon Seminary for a tour and later attended Mass with all of the seminarians Michael Trummer, Dominic Vahling, and Michael Meinhart. Michael Meinhart was also able to join them at the ballgame. The young ladies visited the Daughters of Charity, St. Louis Provincial House and had a chance to ask them about their journey to a religious vocation. The sisters talked about the jobs they have such as teachers, nurses, administrators or directors of charitable organizations. The girls also visited the Cathedral Basilica for a tour and Mass. The group enjoyed a Cardinals ballgame followed by a visit to the Knights of Columbus in Highland for hot dogs and hamburgers. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and Fr. Edgar, for his help and a special thanks to the teachers, principals, and chaperones who assisted.

Community Events . . .

St. Joseph Church, Island Grove, Annual Fall Breakfast and Raffle will be on Sunday, Oct. 1, from 7:00am to noon, at the St. Joseph Parish Center. The menu is whole hog sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs, breads, and drink. Cost: \$7.00 for 11 years and older and \$4.00 for 10 years and under. There will be a country store featuring homemade baked goods and the drawing for the quilt and big raffle will be at noon.

Tours of the Teutopolis Monastery Museum will be given on Sunday, October 1, from 12:30pm to 4:00pm. Admission fee is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. For more information, go the parish website: www.stfrancischurch.com.

7th Annual St. Thomas Harvest Picnic will be Oct. 7-8, kicking off Saturday evening with a 5:30pm Mass, with a 6:30pm prime rib steak dinner following. On Sunday, enjoy a smoked garlic chicken and pork meal from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Raffle drawing at 5:00pm. Enjoy food, games, activities, raffle, and music.

Sacred Heart Pana Autumn Dash & Kids Fun Run will be Saturday, Oct. 14, at 8:00am, at the Oak Terrace Resort, Pana, IL. Please, register online at <http://getmeregistered.com/SHAutumnDash>. All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School, Pana.

EIU Haiti Connection Annual Trivia Night will be Saturday, Oct. 28, at 7:00pm, at the St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall, Charleston. The cost is \$10 per person and each team is allowed to have 8-10 members.

Please save the date for the Newman Night to be held on Saturday, Nov. 4, at the EIU Campus in Charleston. Mass at 4:30pm; social hour & silent auction at 5:30pm; dinner & greetings at 6:30pm; and dance with D.J. from 8:30pm to 11:00pm.

DASK - Divorced and Separated Koinonia, will be held on Oct. 6-8, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center, on Lake Springfield, Springfield, IL. The cost is \$110. Information on Villa Maria is available at <http://villa.dio.org/>. DASK facebook can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/daskkoinonia/>. To register, contact Karen Marruffo, 217.496.2831. Find a brochure is at www.dio.org/familylife/divorce-recovery.html.

DeColores Fall Weekends

Men's Weekend will be October 12-15

Lay Leaders: Ken Polarek @ 217.342.4218 and

Eric Thompson @ 217.821.7157

Spiritual Director: Fr. Michal Rosa

Women's Weekend will be October 19 - 22

Lay leader: Coleen Gephart @ 217.739.2321 or

cocosn68@yahoo.com

Spiritual Director: Father Michal Rosa

Assistant Spiritual Director: Sister Jane Hotze

For more information, please call Mary Sur at 342.2003.

Dear Sacred Heart parishioners,

On Friday, Oct. 6, please tune into 91.3 FM for the final day of the Covenant Network Fall Radiothon. Your generosity in supporting Catholic Radio has been excellent ever since WGMR went on the air. I hope, through each of you, more people will come to know about 24/7 Catholic programming. I will be closing the Radiothon as the host for the first time: from 3:00-6:00pm on Friday the 6th. *Please pray for me!*



In your generosity, could you please call in your support at 314.752.7000 or 877.305.1234? Anything helps. There are a lot of "extra" give-aways for all callers on Friday afternoon, no matter the donation, and they change by the hour! Covenant Network relies entirely on the donations of listeners. More new stations have been added to bring the total affiliates to 41, but the expenses are greater than ever. You can also listen online from anywhere at their brand new website www.ourcatholicradio.com or download the Covenant Network app for iPhone or Android devices.

Thanks for listening!

Fr. Edgar

Effingham Knights of Columbus News . . .

The 2017 Bishops Hall of Fame will be held on Saturday, October 28, in Sherman, IL, and Daniel L. Koester of the Effingham Council will be inducted.

Our Council has chartered a bus for the trip and any member is welcome to join us for the trip to honor Dan and our past Hall of Fame inductees. The proceeds after expenses are used to help the seminarians in our diocese. We are working out specific details on departure time. Banquet tickets are \$26 each and there is no additional cost to ride the bus. Please contact F.S. Jim Miller at 343.7480 if you will be attending. If no answer, please leave a message and Jim will contact you.

The Effingham K of C Fourth Degree Assembly will be placing American flags on the Veterans grave in St. Anthony Cemetery on Veterans Day & Memorial Day.

The St. Anthony Parish office has records of deceased veterans from 1960 to the present. We want to honor all the veterans, so if you have a family member or relative that served in the military and is buried in St Anthony Cemetery prior to 1960, please contact Don Niebrugge at 217-342-9469 with information on approximate location of the grave such as the NE, NW, SE, or SW area.



The Tootsie Roll Fund Drive was held on Sept. 15/16. A special thank you to all the workers who collected or counted money. Also, thank you to the members and businesses who helped by "buying" a box of tootsie rolls or making a donation. Thanks to Bill Althoff who helped to make soup and hot dogs for the volunteers.



As we prepare for the restoration of Sacred Heart Church, it's important for all of us to understand the "whys" behind the many details in the church. This is a continuation of the original article written by Michal S. Rose. It was originally published by Envoy Communications, Inc., Steubenville, OH, Issue #3, 2001.

A Cloud Of Witnesses

Sacred art inside and outside of the church takes many forms: Statues, reliefs, paintings, murals, mosaics, icons, and stained glass are the most common forms in Western church architecture. To say the least, the church has a great treasury of sacred art and a wonderful tradition to follow.

Successful church art enhances the architecture and the liturgy, and it draws our minds to God through its beauty and meaning. Sacred art, unlike modern art, is not about itself. It's about something else, and that something else is religious in nature; it is Catholic in nature.

As we mentioned earlier, the church building teaches and evangelizes. It does so not only through its form and function, but also through its artwork. Church art tells the stories of the Scriptures, of Christ, of the saints and of the Church herself. In fact, it is an intimate component of Catholic worship inasmuch as the Catholic faith is based upon the Incarnation of the Word: The Word (God) was made flesh—He took on a physical human nature.

Unfortunately, some have mistakenly understood the Second Vatican Council to state that sacred art — especially statues of the saints — has no place in our churches. This is obviously wrong. Here's what the Council actually does have to say about sacred art and furnishings:

Very rightly the fine arts are considered to rank among the noblest expressions of human genius. This judgment applies to religious art and to its highest achievement, sacred art. By their very nature both of the latter are related to God's boundless beauty, for this is the reality, which these human efforts are trying to express in some way. To the extent that these works aim exclusively at turning men's thoughts to God persuasively and devoutly, they are dedicated to God and to the cause of His greater honor and glory.

Furthermore, the same Council document states that "all things set apart for use in divine worship should be truly worthy, becoming, and beautiful signs and symbols of heavenly realities."

It is for this reason that God's house is intimately connected to the Heavenly Jerusalem, accompanied by the communion of the saints and angels. It is here that beauty creates the environment that lifts man's soul from the secular and temporal to be brought into harmony with the heavenly and eternal. The architect Adams Cram — probably the greatest church builder of the late nineteenth century — wrote that, "art has been, is, and will be forever, the greatest agency for spiritual impression that the Church may claim."⁹ And it is for this reason, he adds, that art is in its highest manifestation the expression of religious truths.

On a final note, the Council also warned bishops that it is their duty to protect the treasury of sacred art and architecture. *Sacrosanctum Concilium* states that bishops "must be very careful to see that sacred furnishings and works of value are not disposed of or allowed to deteriorate; for they are the ornaments of the house of God."¹⁰ Such a warning only underscores the importance the Church places on sacred art and its purpose to serve the greater glory of God.

Sunday Collection Income	24-Sep-17	Budgeted
Offering (176 Env.)	\$7,024.00	\$10,570.00
Loose	\$1,771.00	\$1,610.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$8,795.00	\$12,180.00

Thank you!! Catholic Times subscriptions are paid in full. Thank you to everyone who donated to make this happen. Your generosity is very much appreciated.



The 2017-2018 Annual Catholic Services Appeal "ACSA" "Go Therefore and Make Disciples." is underway. The goal for our 2017-18 ASCA is \$50,130. Christ calls us to consider our gifts and to return a portion of them to Him through our parish and the larger Church, our diocese. Each registered Sacred Heart family should have received a letter from the diocese this past week.

Remember that this annual appeal is our parish's share of the cost of providing diocesan ministries and services which directly or indirectly benefit our parish and all Catholics of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

We also invite you to start directing your weekly tithing to the Diocese. Simply make your check payable to ACSA (with Sacred Heart Church in the memo line), ACSA on the envelope, and drop it in the collection. If our parish goal is surpassed, then 100% of the overage is returned to the parish. Any questions, call Mark Volk at 347.7177.

Please make a donation to help us meet our goal.

Fresh flowers are displayed by the tabernacle in memory/honor of a family or special occasion. We will continue placing fresh flowers by the tabernacle. If you would like to donate flowers, contact Vicki Walker at 821.6179. **Thank you to Linda Burson for their donation of flowers this week in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Furst.**

Sponsor of the Week



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MATT FRADD

Effingham Speaking Events: October 11th

Matt Fradd is the director of content development for Integrity Restored and a bestselling author and popular speaker. His most recent book, *The Porn Myth*, is a No. 1 best-seller on Amazon. He is the co-creator of Victory, an app that provides a strategic battle plan for winning the struggle against pornography. Matt lives in Georgia with his wife, Cameron, and their children.

The Love that Satisfies

Talk given at
St. Anthony Grade School
@ 9:30am

All young people have at least this in common: they desire joy! Joy is impossible without love, and romantic love is impossible without chastity. In this high-energy presentation, Matt proposes that the virtue of chastity is for those who desire joy and that any sexual relationship devoid of this virtue will always disappoint.

Backed up with compelling statistics and engaging personal stories, Matt challenges audience members to open their minds and hearts and embrace the Church's teachings on human sexuality.

Porn: 7 Myths Exposed

Talk given at
St. Anthony High School
@ 1:45pm

"It's just harmless entertainment," "She's willing to do it," "It's not like I'm supporting the industry." These and many other myths prevent many of us from seeing pornography for what it truly is: a diabolical counterfeit for love. In this entertaining presentation, Matt exposes what he believes are the most common myths about porn. Then, Matt untwists the lies, shines light on the darkness, and offers hope to those who are ready to reject the counterfeit and embrace the truth. He backs up his arguments with startling statistics, real life stories, and the rock solid wisdom of the Church's teachings on human sexuality.

Parenting the Internet Generation

Talk given at
St. Anthony High School
@ 6:30pm

Pornography is a pervasive problem today for people of all ages, especially teens. However, many parents aren't sure how to protect their families, beyond using traditional internet filters. In this presentation, Matt Fradd offers parents a detailed look at the way pornography harms us and offers practical strategies that parents need to implement if they are to protect their children from the lies of an over-sexualized culture.

Contact Katalyn Miller (kmiller@stanthony.com) or (217-347-7129) for more information on any of the talks. The evening talk "Parenting the Internet Generation" is open to the public and will be held at the St. Anthony High School MPR beginning at 6:30pm. **Free childcare can be provided by contacting Katalyn Miller.